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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

FY 2008

(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)

Application Number 10/677,918

Docket Number (Optional)

PAT-025
(was D30972 US)For High Throughput Sample PreparationArt Unit 1797Filed October 2, 2003Examiner Handy, Dayne K.

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application.

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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August 9, 2008

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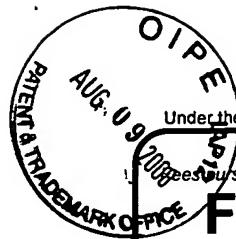
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FEE TRANSMITTAL

For FY 2008

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TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 525.00)
Complete if Known

Application Number	10/677,918
Filing Date	October 2, 2003
First Named Inventor	Binz DeWalch
Examiner Name	Handy, Dwayne K.
Art Unit	1797
Attorney Docket No.	PAT-025

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FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

<u>Application Type</u>	<u>FILING FEES</u>		<u>SEARCH FEES</u>		<u>EXAMINATION FEES</u>		<u>Fees Paid (\$)</u>
	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>	
Utility	310	155	510	255	210	105	_____
Design	210	105	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	210	105	310	155	160	80	_____
Reissue	310	155	510	255	620	310	_____
Provisional	210	105	0	0	0	0	_____

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEESFee DescriptionEach claim over 20 (including Reissues) Fee (\$) Small Entity Fee (\$)Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues) Fee (\$) Small Entity Fee (\$)Multiple dependent claims Fee (\$) Small Entity Fee (\$)

<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>	<u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u>
- 20 or HP =	x	=		<u>Fee (\$)</u> <u>Small Entity</u> <u>Fee (\$)</u>

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

<u>Indep. Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u> <u>Small Entity</u> <u>Fee (\$)</u>
- 3 or HP =	x	=		

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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

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4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): Three-Month Extension of Time

Fees Paid (\$)

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